

## PROGRAMME FOR OMAHA.

The People's Party National Convention Called for July 2.

The following programme of the People's party convention has been adopted and promulgated by the national executive committee:

Owing to the desire to make nominations on July 4, all delegates will meet for temporary organization at the Coliseum building, Omaha, July 2, 1892, at 10 o'clock a. m.

The various state delegations are requested to meet at 9 o'clock a. m. of the same day to elect one member of the following committees:

First—Credentials.  
Second—Rules and order of business.  
Third—Permanent organization.  
Fourth—Resolutions.

Also to elect three members of the national committee from each state and territory.

The following order of exercises has been arranged:

First—Call to order by Chairman H. E. Taubeneck of the national committee.  
Second—Prayer.

Third—Address of welcome by Mayor George P. Bemis, of Omaha.

Fourth—Response by United States Senator J. H. Kyle.

Fifth—Call of states and territories for the announcement of committee on credentials.

Sixth—Short addresses by L. L. Polk, T. V. Powderly, J. B. Weaver, Ignatius Donnelly, Jerry Simpson, Ben Terrell and others, interspersed with music and singing.

After the report of the committee on credentials the roll of states will be called for the announcement of members of the committees on rules and order of business on permanent organization and on resolutions.

Rates of fare for the round trip have been arranged with all railroads in the United States, good going after June 29, and good to return from Omaha up to July 15.

Hotel rates not to exceed the regular rates have been guaranteed, and good entertainment can be obtained for from one dollar to five dollars per day as parties may desire. Those wishing to secure rooms in advance should address the secretary of the committee on hotels, Mr. R. F. Hodgins, Board of Trade building, Omaha, stating how much they are willing to pay.

The reception committees will be known by a red badge and will be present on the arrival of all trains on and after July 1. The members of this committee will be People's party men, and delegates may safely intrust themselves to their care.

A bureau of information will be established at each depot, where delegates will be supplied with any information they may desire.

The chairman of the national committee for each state should secure headquarters at as early a date as possible, notify his delegation and report the location by letter to H. E. Taubeneck, Millard hotel, Omaha, so that announcement can be made. Mr. Taubeneck will be in Omaha two weeks before the convention.

All old soldiers, north and south, are requested to meet at the convention hall on Saturday, July 2, at 8 o'clock p. m.

The national committee of three from each state will meet at its headquarters, Bee building, on Friday, July 1, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Tickets of admission to the hall will be issued by the national executive committee to chairmen of state delegations only.

Headquarters of the national executive committee will be at the Millard hotel.

The District of Columbia and the various territories will be entitled to eight delegates each.

A grand ratification meeting will be held on the evening of July 4, in the convention building.

### An Interesting Situation.

Politicians may well look with interest at affairs in the south, for the strength which the Alliance has developed there has astonished the old party men, who only begin to realize that a revolution is taking place in that section of the country as well as in the west.

The Democrats are afraid of the loss of the electoral vote in North Carolina, and the efforts being made by the Republicans and the Alliance to throw the vote of the state to their interest makes the situation very interesting.—Omaha World-Herald.

Listen to a Tale of Woe,  
Some busy bees in a garden flew,  
Listen to a tale of woe,  
Till spied by Grove and Bessie too,  
From the flowers honey drew,  
And grew, and grew,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

Chorus—Hard trials for them two,  
Harrison and Cleveland too,  
Over the bees who the honey drew,  
That grew, that grew,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

These little bees who honey stored,  
Listen to a tale of woe,  
Were robbed by drones of their juicy hoard,  
And right aloud in anger roared,  
Ignored, ignored,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

For bees, like men who money make,  
Listen to a tale of woe,  
Object when the honey take,  
And raise a row for justice' sake,  
And shake, and shake,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

Chorus—When Ben and Grove to the bees appeal,  
Listen to a tale of woe,  
A stinging answer both will feel,  
And in despair will gently kneel,  
And squeal, and squeal,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

Under the sod where the daisies blow,  
Listen to a tale of woe,  
We'll plant our Ben and Grove so  
That neither one will longer grow,  
You know, you know,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

Chorus—And you who these opinions vote,  
Listen to a tale of woe,  
Don't stop when you sing or quote,  
And up the tide of leisure float,  
But vote, but vote,  
Listen to a tale of woe.

Chorus—Dr. A. S. Houghton (after Wilson).

## Strike for Mental Freedom.

It seems to me that the People's party has already taken such firm root that it is too late for the national Democratic party to redeem itself even should it now adopt the Ocala demands as its platform, for the simple reason that the people have no faith in its good intentions. Such an agreement would be only a wordy contract, with no bona fide intention of execution, whereas in the People's party unity of interest and identity of needs would furnish a sufficient guarantee of good faith and permanency. In fact the machinations of politicians are powerless and futile to keep asunder that which nature and nature's God have joined together.

It does not require a very profound statesman to see that such a combination between the northwest, west and south is inevitable. It is dictated by a principle that is higher than any organization. Should the Alliance die tomorrow, it would go on. Should the old parties make any manner of concessions, it would go on to its consummation. The People's party is now the only true, real democracy. The old Democratic party, so called, has long ago lost all features of democracy and become a real oligarchy, ruled by bosses and "leaders," who make no secret of assuming absolute control and dictation of the party policy and utterly ignoring all ideas and opinions the people may have.

Are we of the south willing for the sake of a name, an empty name, and old traditions and associations to remain in this perpetual mental bondage? If so, we deserve to be the slaves of the vulgar parvenu.—R. K. Charles in Raleigh Progressive Farmer.

### That New England Widow.

Bluff Ben Clover said in a recent speech in congress on the silver bill:

Gentlemen tell us that the poor widows and orphans of New England would suffer greatly by the passage of this bill. They tell us that the widows and orphans are the money lenders of that locality, and that it would be cruelty in the extreme to distress them. Of course, this statement is all for effect, and should not command respect enough for a reply, and I would not notice it now were it not an insult to the intelligence of every American citizen, and I know of no better answer than was given by the late Senator Plumb, of Kansas, when this oft repeated and dishonest statement was made in the senate of the United States during the Fifty-first congress.

He said, "Whenever the question of more money comes up and any move is made that looks toward relief for the people who are struggling under their load of debt, in consequence of the contraction of the currency and a shrinking in the value of their property, this New England widow is promptly brought out and made to do duty over and over again, but behind her ample skirts you can always find a Wall street gold bug concealed."

Mr. Speaker, this traditional widow is a "myth," a "phantasy," an "iridescent dream" of the overworked brain of the honest dollar advocates, and has become a very old and musty chestnut. Poor widows and orphans are not in the money loaning business except as they are found at the interest paying and not the interest receiving end of the line.

### Oh, How They Do Lie!

The plutocratic press is muddled over the objects and action of the Birmingham conference. Some of them assert that it was a vigorous repudiation of the People's party. Others are equally sure that it was an unequivocal endorsement of it. These differing opinions are given only as opinions. But they undertake to give facts—and here is where they revel in the broad and congenial and familiar domain of refined lying. For example, they say that the test vote which killed the Third party stood 21 to 16, when the truth is no test vote was taken. They say that a certain fellow in the conference made a gallant fight against the Third party and squelched it. Not a word of truth in it.

They say that a Third party president from one of the states absolutely burst into tears when he saw it was defeated. Another one out of whole cloth. To show that absolute harmony prevailed look at the address and you will see that all the gentlemen present from the states signed it. Keep on guessing. We will certainly not aid you in finding out what the conference did. Are you puzzled? Keep up your misrepresentation. Don't you feel badly? Don't you wish you did know what the Birmingham conference means? Wait and see.—Progressive Farmer.

### Our Own Men First.

As I have said nothing as to candidates I hope you will give me room for a few words. If anything on earth makes me lose faith in the capacity of the human family it is to see men who really are in earnest and have the old political wool partly out of their eyes, straying off after strange gods, into the camps of our bitterest enemies for representatives of our political principles.

What can our men mean when they say Sanford, Gresham, Butler and others equally far from our fold are the men to nominate for president by the People's party? Any honest, able and intelligent man in our ranks would be a thousand times preferable to any outsider. We have a host of patriots in our ranks that have the qualifications.—Harrison Ogborn in Nonconformist.

### Tarred with the Same Stick.

I have all my life been taught to believe that John Sherman was all that was pernicious and vile in politics, and I was taught to revere just such men as Carlisle and Gorman, but when one month ago I saw Carlisle and Gorman, and Morgan too, stand up on the same floor and on the same day with John Sherman and move that the money question be referred to a joint commission composed of emissaries of Great Britain, I felt that the same law that impelled me to detect John Sherman also impelled me to despise and detect Carlisle and Gorman.—J. H. Davis.

## His Death Watch.

J. W. Brown, of Atlantic, Ia., writes as follows to The Nonconformist, of Indianapolis:

Out in the Ninth congressional district in Iowa we have a great sensation. The Hon. Thomas Bowman, our present Democratic representative in congress, has just announced his early political death. Cause, his vote against free silver and the way he shears a sheep. Mr. Bowman was elected on a free silver and tariff reform platform, and his vote against free silver and his vote for free wool as a tariff reform measure do not suit our people. We want free silver and tariff reform, but we do not want the farmer gutted and the manufactory still go protected. The taking of the duty off wool and leaving the duty on woolen goods does not suit the average farmer, don't you see? Shear that sheep the other way. This early collapse of Thomas' political career makes our people feel like singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

### From the Old North State.

The People's party of North Carolina is preparing to sweep all before it. The St. Louis platform has been adopted, and The Progressive Farmer, Colonel L. L. Polk's paper, says:

The true reformers of the Old North State send greeting to their brethren and co-workers throughout the Union in this manly declaration to stand firmly by principle. God bless the noble and true men of our state and country in this hour of our trial and peril.

We are taxed to death. In 1880 it took 1½ bushels of wheat or twenty-one pounds of cotton per capita to pay our taxes. Now it takes 8½ bushels of wheat or 100 pounds of cotton per capita.—Pioneer Exponent.

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